

REMARKS

I. Status of the Claims

Claims 1, 3-5, and 7-11 are canceled.

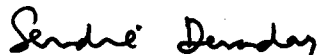
Claims 2, 6, and 12 are pending.

II. Claim amendments

On Item 6 of the Advisory Action, the examiner indicated that claims 2, 6, and 12 would be allowable if submitted in a separate, timely-filed amendment canceling the non-allowable claims. Accordingly, applicants have canceled claims 4 and 7 and therefore request that the pending claims 2, 6, and 12 be allowed. Applicants reserve the right to file a continuing application with respect to the canceled claims.

Applicants thank the examiner for allowing claims 2, 6 and 12. No other fees are believed due at this time, however, please charge any deficiencies or credit any overpayments to deposit account number 12-0913 with reference to our attorney docket number (21459-91513).

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